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1 AN ACT
2 RELATING TO APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS; AMENDING CHAPTER 94, TITLE 67, IDAHO
3 CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-9412, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE
4 FOR APPLICABLE APPRENTICESHIPS TO FULFILL CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL REQUIRE-
5 MENTS.

6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Chapter 94, Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
8 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-
9 ignated as Section 67-9412, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

10 67-9412. TREATMENT OF APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS FOR LICENSING PUR-
11 POSES. (1) For purposes of this section, "applicable apprenticeship
12 program" means an on-the-job learning program that has been adopted by a
13 licensing authority or the United State department of labor.

14 (2) A licensing authority shall grant a license to any applicant who
15 has:

16 (a) Completed an applicable apprenticeship program;
17 (b) Passed an applicable examination, if required by a licensing au-
18 thority;
19 (c) Paid any applicable fees; and
20 (d) Met any other criteria unrelated to training and education that are
21 ordinarily required by a licensing authority.

22 (3) If a licensing authority denies licensure to an applicant on the ba-
23 sis that the applicant's apprenticeship is not an applicable apprenticeship
24 program, such licensing authority shall issue such denial in writing and ex-
25 plain why the applicant's apprenticeship program has been deemed inapplica-
26 ble by the licensing authority. Such decision shall be a final administra-
27 tive action and shall be subject to judicial review.

28 (4) If a licensing authority requires an examination, it shall require
29 the same passing score for applicants under this section as for non-appren-
30 tice applicants. If a relevant licensing authority does not require an ex-
31 amination, no examination shall be required for applicants seeking to obtain
32 licensure through an applicable apprenticeship program.

33 (5) A licensing authority shall use the same licensing fee for appli-
34 cants under this section as for applicants under the standard licensing
35 process. If a licensing authority does not require a fee, no fee shall be
36 required for applicants who obtain licensure through an applicable appren-
37 ticeship program.

38 (6) A licensing authority shall not establish increased education or
39 training requirements, including increased hour requirements, for appli-
40 cants who have completed an applicable apprenticeship program under this
41 section.

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1 (7) Licensing authorities may work with the relevant agencies, such as
2 the state department of education, workforce development council, and ca-
3 reer technical education division to ensure that applicable apprenticeship
4 programs are available and known to secondary and post-secondary students.

5 (8) Licensing authorities without applicable apprenticeship programs
6 may consider apprenticeship programs as a path to licensure if, in the dis-
7 cretion of a licensing authority, apprenticeship is appropriate.